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ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY ASPECTS OF THE FINANCING OF THE UNITED NATIONS PEACE-KEEPING OPERATIONS: FINANCING OF THE UNITED NATIONS PEACE-KEEPING OPERATIONS

Draft resolution submitted by the Rapporteur

Support account for peace-keeping operations

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 45/258 of 3 May 1991, 47/218 A of 23 December 1992, 48/226 A, B and C of 23 December 1993, 5 April and 29 July 1994, respectively, and 49/250 of 20 July 1995 and decisions 48/489 of 8 July 1994, 49/469 of 23 December 1994 and 50/473 of 23 December 1995,

Having considered the report of the Board of Auditors on the audit of the support account for peace-keeping operations for the period ended 30 September 1995, 1/ the report of the Secretary-General on the support account for peace-keeping operations 2/ and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, 3/ and the views expressed by Member States,

Reaffirming the need to continue to improve the administrative and financial management of peace-keeping operations,

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1/ A/50/874 and Corr.1.

2/ A/50/876.

3/ A/50/897.

1. Takes note with appreciation of the submission by the Board of Auditors of its audit report on the support account for peace-keeping operations; 1/

2. Also takes note of the observations and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, 3/ subject to the provisions of the present resolution;

3. Decides, pending its consideration of the report of the Secretary-General 2/ at the second part of its resumed session, in May 1996:

(a) To authorize the extension until 30 June 1996 of the 61 temporary posts previously authorized in paragraph 12 of General Assembly resolution 49/250;

(b) To authorize the amounts of 50,000 United States dollars for general temporary assistance, 40,000 dollars for overtime, 60,000 dollars for travel, 189,500 dollars for training and 660,100 dollars for common services until 30 June 1996, to be financed on the basis of the current funding methodology and formula;

4. Also decides to revert to the proposals of the Secretary-General for the support account for the period from 1 July 1996 to 30 June 1997 at the second part of its resumed session, in May 1996;

5. Requests the Secretary-General in this regard to address the issues contained in the report of the Advisory Committee; 3/

6. Also requests the Secretary-General to ensure that all submissions relating to the backstopping at Headquarters of peace-keeping operations be presented in the context of the report on the support account;

7. Recognizes the temporary nature of support account posts and decides in this regard that measures introduced by the Secretary-General in connection with the regular budget shall not be extended to these posts;

8. Requests the Board of Auditors to keep under review the issue of the role and use of extrabudgetary resources, including the use of loaned personnel by departments and offices at Headquarters supporting peace-keeping operations and to report to the General Assembly thereon as appropriate;

9. Requests the Secretary-General to present in each report on the support account information on the use of trust funds, including the scope of activities financed by them;

10. Also requests the Secretary-General to keep Member States informed on the establishment of trust funds as well as on the possibilities for their use.

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PROGRAMME BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM 1996-1997

Conditions of service and compensation for officials, other than Secretariat officials, serving the General Assembly: full-time members of the International Civil Service Commission and the Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

Draft resolution submitted by the Chairman

The General Assembly,

Recalling paragraph 3 of its resolution 45/249 of 21 December 1990, whereby it decided that the compensation and other conditions of service of the full-time members of the International Civil Service Commission and of the Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions should next be reviewed at the fiftieth session of the General Assembly and that, pending such review, the annual compensation should be adjusted in accordance with the procedure approved in paragraph 3 of its resolution 35/221 of 17 December 1980,

Recalling also paragraphs 3 and 4 of section III of its resolution 46/192 of 20 December 1991,

Requests the Secretary-General to implement fully paragraphs 3 and 4 of section III of General Assembly resolution 46/192 with regard to the pensionable remuneration and pensions of the full-time members of the International Civil Service Commission and the Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions.

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ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY ASPECTS OF THE FINANCING OF THE UNITED NATIONS PEACE-KEEPING OPERATIONS

Death and disability benefits

Draft resolution submitted by the Rapporteur following informal consultations

The General Assembly,

Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General 1/ and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, 2/

Expressing deep concern at the delay in the settlement of claims in respect of death and disability,

Taking note of the views expressed by Member States,

1. Reiterates the decision, contained in section III, paragraph 1, of its resolution 49/233 of 23 December 1994, that underlying any system of compensation for death and disability should be the need for:

(a) Equal treatment of Member States;

(b) Compensation to the beneficiary that is not lower than reimbursement by the United Nations;

1/ A/49/906.

2/ A/50/684.

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(c) Simplification of administrative arrangements to the extent possible;

(d) Speedy settlement of claims for death and disability;

2. Requests the Secretary-General to also examine the possibility of an insurance scheme to cover all troops, on the basis of a request for proposals from the global insurance market;

3. Also requests the Secretary-General to present the results of the above-mentioned action, as well as issues raised in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, 2/ by 15 July 1996 for the consideration of the General Assembly, through the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions.